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1. THE SPECIAL AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE BEGAN THIS WEEK ITS DELIBERATIONS

ON THE PROPOSED CAP FOR SOYBEANS. THE DISCUSSION CENTERED SO FAR ON
TWO QUESTIONS. ON THE ONE HAND, THE COMMITTEE IS CONSIDERING WHETHER
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PRODUCTION SUBSIDIES FOR SOYBEANS SHOULD BE GRANTED PER UNIT OF

PRODUCT OR ON AN ACREAGE BASIS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE QUESTION HAS ARISEN AS TO WHETHER THE SUBSIDY SHOULD BE FIXED BEFOREHAND, I.E., BEFORE THE CROP YEAR STARTS OR WHETHER IT SHOULD BE DETERMINED ONLY AFTER THE HARVEST WHEN THE ACTUAL RECIEPTS OF SOYBEAN PRODUCERS ARE KNOWN. ON THIS LATTER POINT, ONLY ITALY FAVORS FIXING THE SUBSIDY IN ADVANCE; THE OTHER MEMBER STATES ARE REPORTEDLY IN FAVOR OF SUBSIDY PAYMENTS TO BE DECIDED ONLY AFTER THE CROP HAS BEEN SOLD.

2. THE CAP FOR SOYBEANS WILL PROBABLY NOT FIGURE ON THE AGENDA OF THE AGRICULTURE COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 17 AND 18. HOWEVER, THE SOYBEAN CAP IS EXEPECTED TO BE APPROVED AT AN AGRICULTURE COUNCIL'S MEETING IN JULY. GREENWALD

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